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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD:

SUBJECT: Background Information FE Logistical Support Problem

1. This will provide background information with respect to the FE Logistical Support Problem presented at the Fourth Office of Logistics Seminar - held at [REDACTED] during the period 24/25/26 May 1960.

2. It had been planned to have the Chief of an Area Division, DD/P, make a very brief presentation dealing with the subject, "Cold War Operations". Since considerable support had been provided by OL/PS to NE/SA Division, the original plan was to have Mr. [REDACTED], Chief, NE/SA Division make this presentation. Personnel changes within the NE/SA Division, which resulted in the appointment of a new chief, resulted in a decision to extend an invitation to Mr. [REDACTED] Chief, FE, to make this presentation.

3. The Director of Logistics, personally spoke to Mr. [REDACTED] on 5 April 1960, inviting him to make a twenty (20) minute introductory talk, concerning the operational aspects of cold war operations. This was to provide a theme for following presentations dealing with various phases of logistics and subsequent discussions. A memo was forwarded on 8 April, 1960 confirming these arrangements and the Seminar printed program reflected this action.

4. Shortly before 24 May, Major [REDACTED], PS/OL, project officer, was advised that Mr. [REDACTED] would be unable to make the scheduled presentation, but would be available on the last day (26 May) to participate in the panel discussion programmed for the early morning. It was agreed that Mr. [REDACTED], Chief of Support, FE Division, would make the presentation in lieu of Mr. [REDACTED].

5. The presentation made by Mr. [REDACTED] took longer than twenty (20) minutes and consisted of a logistical support problem required to sustain a theoretical [REDACTED]. Mr. [REDACTED] distributed sufficient handouts of the situation and problem for all Seminar participants and made extremely limited distribution of maps, charts, and other reference material.

6. He requested that the Seminar review his problem with respect to the situation and requirements and advise him if Logistics could support same. He also requested the Seminar to submit questions if additional information was required in the solution to his problem.

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25X1A9a 7. During the evening of 24 May, members of OL, including Mr. Garrison,
 25X1A9a Mr. [REDACTED] and Col. [REDACTED] from MPD met to discuss the method of handling this unexpected request from FE. It was agreed that the planned requirements and program of the Seminar provided no time for the participants to devote to this problem. In addition, a well planned problem, along with adequate material for solving same, had already been planned for the afternoon of 25 May 1960. It was decided that a group, headed by Mr. [REDACTED], C/PS/OL would develop logistical estimates to the three (3) phases of the problem, and submit their solution during the panel discussion time allotted to Mr. Garrison on the morning of 26 May. Mr. Garrison made Col. [REDACTED] available as a working member of this team. Such work would have to be accomplished in addition to other duties these members were being required to perform in connection with the planned program of the Seminar.

25X1A9a 8. Mr. [REDACTED] turned the responsibility of developing the logistical
 25X1A9a estimates over to Lt. Col. [REDACTED]

25X1A9a 9. During the evening of 24 May and during subsequent spare time as
 25X1A9a available on 25 May, Col. [REDACTED] all of OL, and Col. [REDACTED], MPD, developed logistical estimates to meet the requirements of the three (3) phases of the operation. In doing so, several questions were developed which would be included as factors bearing on the estimate.

25X1A9a 10. During the morning of 26 May, the logistical estimates were pre-
 25X1A9a sented to the Seminar participants. Such presentation was made by Mr. [REDACTED]. Written copies were made available to FE personnel who were present. Subsequent to the Seminar, it was agreed by Mr. [REDACTED] that the problem and resulting solution would be critiqued at some date in the future.

25X1A9a 11. Copies of the problem, along with map and reference material, solution and Memos for the Record are on file within Branch 1, PS/OL. All other material was returned to Mr. [REDACTED].


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